

House Resolution 1876

By: Representative Hill of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. David E. Harrison on the occasion of his retirement; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. David E. Harrison has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for
4 the vital role that he has played in the teaching profession and his deep personal commitment
5 to the education of the students of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of
7 his time, talents, and energy for 32 years as an educator and teaches band, orchestra,
8 percussion, and steel drums at Sequoyah High School in Canton, Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, a graduate of Bowdon High School, Mr. Harrison earned a bachelor's degree
10 in music from the University of Georgia, a master's degree in music education from
11 VanderCook College of Music, and a specialist degree in teacher leadership from North
12 Georgia College and State University; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison is a leader of award winning musicians and during his years at
14 Sequoyah High School the Symphony Band has earned 33 superior ratings in 16 years and
15 the marching band has earned 55 superior ratings, with captains earning 90 superior ratings;
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17 WHEREAS, this highly respected educator has also taught at Cherokee High School,
18 Lumpkin County High School, and Banks County High School; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison is a member of the Georgia Music Educators Association, the
20 Music Educators National Conference, Phi Beta Mu International Bandmaster's Fraternity,
21 the National Band Association, the Professional Association of Georgia Educators, the
22 American String Teachers Association, and the National School Orchestra Association; and

23 WHEREAS, he has been honored with numerous awards and accolades throughout his
24 distinguished career in education, including Sequoyah's 2009 Teacher of the Year, a Kiwanis
25 Apple Award, and a Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association; and

26 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly
27 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments
28 of this outstanding individual.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Mr. David E. Harrison for his
31 sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia,
32 recognize the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless young
33 people in this state, and congratulate him on the occasion of his well-deserved retirement.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. David E. Harrison.